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FOR CHARGE FROM AMBASSADOR PICKERING

1. STATE HAS PREPARED FOLLOWING TEXT TO COMMERCE TO
EXPLAIN WHAT ACTION WAS TAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH BOY-
COTT ISSUE RAISED REFTEL.

2. BEFORE RELEASING
THIS TEXT TO PUBLIC AND CONGRESS, IN
VIEW OF FACT THAT I TALKED DIRECTLY WITH PRIME MINISTER
ON THE ISSUE, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO PROVIDE HIM WITH TEXT
AND THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM ME.

QUOTE: DEAR ZAID:

IN CONNECTION WITH THE QUESTION I RAISED WITH YOU LAST
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WEEK ON INQUIRIES ABOUT THE RELIGIOUS FAITH OF COMPANY

DIRECTORS WHO WISH TO REGISTER IN JORDAN, THE STATE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO SEND THE TEXT OF THE ATTACHED LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. THIS TEXT WOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED AND IS LIKELY TO BECOME PUBLIC.

SINCE IT DEALS EXCLUSIVELY WITH THE ISSUE OF RELIGIOUS DISCRIMINATION AND THE VERY POSITIVE STAND OF THE JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT ON THAT SUBJECT, I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL TO JORDAN, PARTICULARLY IN CONNECTION WITH THE CURRENT CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION OF THE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM, TO HAVE THIS DONE. HOWEVER, BEFORE I DO SO, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO REVIEW THE TEXT. WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS OR COMMENTS WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE. IN VIEW OF THE URGENCY, I AM ASKING THE CHARGE TO SEE YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

I CAN ASSURE YOU, AND WOULD LIKE YOU ALSO TO PASS ON TO HIS MAJESTY, THAT WE WILL MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT ON THE AIR DEFENSE QUESTION. WE HAVE HAD SOME RECENT POSITIVE DEVELOPMENTS, AND WHILE IT IS TOO EARLY TO BE COMPLETELY CONFIDENT, FROM MY EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH OUR FRIENDS IN THE SENATE, IT APPEARS THAT JORDAN HAS WIDE SUPPORT ON THIS ISSUE.

I WILL STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOU AS MATTERS DEVELOP.

SINCERELY, THOMAS R. PICKERING. UNQUOTE

3. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER ADDRESSED TO MR. RICHARD E. HULL, ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL FOR DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:

QUOTE: DEAR DICK:

I HAVE BEEN ASKED TO REPLY TO YOU, ON BEHALF OF SECRETARY KISSINGER, REGARDING SECRETARY MORTON'S LETTER OF JULY 1 CONCERNING JORDAN AND THE ARAB BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL. A U. S. EXPORTER HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL ECONOMY OF JORDAN TO PROVIDE A CERTIFICATION THAT NONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE U. S. COMPANY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS BELONG TO THE JEWISH FAITH.

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THIS LETTER CONFIRMS WHAT I HAVE ALREADY TOLD YOU. ON THE BASIS OF SECRETARY MORTON'S LETTER AND FURTHER INFORMATION WHICH YOU PROVIDED, WE INFORMED OUR AMBASSADOR IN AMMAN AND INSTRUCTED HIM TO TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH THE JORDANIAN AUTHORITIES. OUR AMBASSADOR HAS NOW INFORMED US THAT HE DID DISCUSS IT WITH VERY HIGH LEVELS OF THE JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT, AND HE WAS ASSURED THAT THE

REQUEST MADE BY HE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL ECONOMY CONCERNING THE RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN FIRM DID NOT HAVE THE APPROVAL OF THE RESPONSIBLE

AUTHORITIES OF THE JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT. OUR AMBASSADOR WAS ALSO ASSURED THAT STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN TO PREVENT RECURRENCE OF THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM.

I AM PLEASED THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COOPERATE EFFECTIVELY ON THIS MATTER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR MAKING SURE THAT WE WERE PROPERLY INFORMED SO THAT WE COULD PROCEED WITH THE NECESSARY CORRECTIVE ACTION. UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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